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## Releases

## Canada's balance of international payments

Second quarter 2010
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Cross border financial transactions (unadjusted for seasonal variation) resulted in further significant inflows of funds to the Canadian economy in the second quarter, led again by foreign purchases of Canadian securities. Non-residents acquired Canadian bonds at an unprecedented rate and foreign investment in Canadian stocks rebounded.

## Note to readers

The balance of international payments covers all economic transactions between Canadian residents and non-residents in two accounts, the current account and the capital and financial account.

The current account covers transactions in goods, services, investment income and current transfers.

The capital and financial account is mainly comprised of transactions in financial assets and liabilities.

In principle, a current account surplus/deficit corresponds to an equivalent net outflow/inflow in the capital and financial account. In practice, as international transactions data are compiled from multiple sources, this is rarely the case and gives rise to measurement error. The statistical discrepancy is the unobserved net inflow or outflow.

For more information about the balance of payments, consult the "Frequently asked questions" section in the National economic accounts module of our website. The module also presents the most recent balance of payments statistics.

## Current account

## Swing in the goods balance led by trade flows with the United States

The balance on trade in goods declined $\$ 2.5$ billion in the second quarter to return to a deficit position, following two quarters of surplus. Exports advanced by less than imports, largely reflecting trade results with the United States. The goods surplus with the United States shrank by $\$ 2.3$ billion, following two quarters of gains.

Exports of goods rose by $\$ 1.2$ billion, substantially less than in the previous quarter. Energy products and industrial goods were the two main contributors to the recovery in goods exported during the previous three quarters, but they both declined in the second quarter of 2010.


The exports of energy products fell $\$ 1.9$ billion in the second quarter, with prices down for all components except coal. Overall, volumes were unchanged, as lower volumes of crude petroleum were offset by higher volumes of natural gas. Following a gain of $\$ 5.0$ billion over the three previous quarters, exports of industrial goods edged down $\$ 0.3$ billion on lower volumes.

Exports of automotive products continued to gain ground, up $\$ 1.9$ billion, with automobiles surpassing the $\$ 10$ billion mark for the first time since the second quarter of 2007. Machinery and equipment exports were up $\$ 1.2$ billion, as volumes increased after six quarters of declines and prices advanced for the first time in five quarters.

Imports of goods increased $\$ 3.7$ billion in the second quarter, led by machinery and equipment imports, which rose by $\$ 1.9$ billion on higher volumes for all components, while prices were down for a fifth quarter. Imports of industrial goods continued to strengthen, up $\$ 1.2$ billion, with half of the gains from metal and metal ores. Automotive products imports edged up, as stronger imports of automotive parts were largely offset by lower imports of cars and trucks.

## Canadian travel abroad widens the deficit on services

The deficit on trade in services expanded by $\$ 0.3$ billion in the second quarter, led by travel and travel related components. The travel deficit reached a high of $\$ 3.5$ billion, up $\$ 0.5$ billion from
the previous quarter. The transportation deficit also expanded in the second quarter, up $\$ 0.2$ billion, as Canadian travellers increased purchases from foreign carriers.

Canadian spending abroad increased $\$ 0.4$ billion in the second quarter, reflecting both travel to the United States and overseas destinations. Overnight trips made by Canadians were up almost 4\%. However, foreign spending in Canada was down $1.1 \%$, as both American travellers and overseas travellers reduced their spending in Canada.

International trade in commercial services registered a $\$ 0.4$ billion surplus in the second quarter after being in balance the quarter before. Exports increased while imports declined slightly.

## Lower payments lead to decline in investment income deficit

The second quarter saw reduced international flows of investment income, with Canadian payments down more than receipts. Direct investment income accounted for these changes.

Profits earned by foreign direct investors in Canada fell by $\$ 0.7$ billion, as both earnings and dividends shrank. The largest reductions came in the food, beverage and tobacco sector and the finance and insurance sector. While Canadian direct investors received higher dividends, profits on investments abroad declined $\$ 0.4$ billion, led by the finance and insurance sector.

## Capital and financial account

## Foreign investors continue to acquire significant amounts of Canadian securities

Non-resident acquisitions of Canadian securities amounted to $\$ 40.7$ billion, more than double the investment in the first quarter. Increased inflows from abroad in the second quarter were the result of continued significant foreign investment in Canadian bonds, led by federal government bonds, as well as a rebound in acquisitions of Canadian stocks. There were also modest foreign investments in the Canadian money market following three quarters of withdrawals.

Non-residents added Canadian bonds to their portfolios for a sixth consecutive quarter, buying $\$ 32.2$ billion in the second quarter. This was driven by unprecedented foreign purchases of federal government bonds of $\$ 19.4$ billion, with investment in federal bonds so far in 2010 already exceeding that of 2009. The balance of the activity was largely accounted for by foreign acquisitions of new provincial bonds denominated in foreign currencies.


Foreign investment in Canadian equities rebounded in the second quarter to reach $\$ 7.9$ billion, following a small divestment in the previous quarter. Against the backdrop of declining share prices, non-residents purchased gold stocks as well as investment funds tracking broad market indices. The bulk of this activity took place in May, when Canadian stock prices retreated for the first time since January 2010.

Foreign investment of $\$ 610$ million in the Canadian money market in the second quarter was relatively modest and dominated by paper issued by non-financial corporations. In addition, there was marginal investment in federal short-term paper, as short-term interest rates increased to their highest level since February 2009.

## Canadian investment in foreign securities remains modest and focused on equities

Canadians acquired $\$ 1.2$ billion of foreign securities in the second quarter, down from a $\$ 5.2$ billion investment in the first quarter. Investment in the second quarter again focused on foreign equities, while holdings of both short- and long-term debt securities were reduced.


Canadian investment in foreign equities of $\$ 4.7$ billion in the second quarter was led by demand from Canadian pension plans. Over $60 \%$ of the activity targeted the American market, marking the largest such investment in the United States since the first quarter of 2009. US stock prices fell by $11.9 \%$ in the second quarter, the most pronounced decline since the fourth quarter of 2008, when global stock markets experienced significant corrections.

Canadians removed a further $\$ 2.7$ billion from their holdings of foreign bonds in the quarter, on sales of US government bonds. This was partially offset by investment in non-US foreign bonds, mainly bonds issued by national governments from the European Union with high credit ratings. Canadians also divested $\$ 744$ million of foreign money market instruments after two quarters of investment, mostly through reduced holdings of paper issued by US financial corporations.

## Outward direct investment strengthens and inward direct investment slows

Canadian direct investment abroad advanced to $\$ 9.4$ billion in the second quarter, following a net repatriation of funds in the first quarter. Over half of the outflows in the second quarter were channelled to the US economy, and about $20 \%$ were related to mergers and acquisitions. Direct investment abroad in the first half of 2010 was similar to levels observed in the first half of 2009; however, these still amounted to the lowest such outflows for the first six months of a year since 1996.

Foreign direct investors injected $\$ 9.7$ billion into the Canadian economy in the second quarter, and although a fourth straight quarter of investment, it was down from the previous quarter. Mergers and acquisitions were a small part of this activity. Investors from the United States and the United Kingdom were again the major contributors, and the Canadian energy and metallic mineral sector continued to be the driving force with investments totalling $\$ 7.2$ billion. For the one-year period ending June 2010, foreign direct investment in this sector was significant at $\$ 27.8$ billion, after a major slowdown in the first half of 2009.

Available on CANSIM: tables 376-0001 to 376-0017 and 376-0035.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers, including related surveys, 1534, 1535, 1536 and 1537.

The second quarter 2010 issue of Canada's Balance of International Payments (67-001-X, free) will be available soon.

The balance of international payments data for the third quarter will be released on November 29.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Client Services (613-951-1855; infobalance@statcan.gc.ca), Balance of Payments Division.

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Current account


## Industrial product and raw

## materials price indexes

July 2010

The Industrial Product Price Index (IPPI) edged up 0.1\% in July, led mainly by primary metal products. The Raw Materials Price Index (RMPI) rose $1.8 \%$, largely because of higher prices for crude oil.


The IPPI edged up 0.1\%, following a $0.9 \%$ drop in June. In July, 12 major product groups were up compared with 7 in June.

In July, the IPPI advance was mainly led by primary metal products ( $+1.4 \%$ ), while lower petroleum and coal prices $(-0.9 \%)$ had a moderating influence on the overall index.

Other than primary metal products, few products made a significant contribution to the IPPI increase. Among them, motor vehicles and other transportation equipment ( $+0.3 \%$ ) as well as pulp and paper products ( $+0.6 \%$ ) posted advances, as a result of the depreciation of the Canadian dollar relative to its American counterpart.

In July, the $0.5 \%$ decrease in the value of the Canadian dollar against the US dollar had a modest influence on the IPPI gain. Some Canadian producers who export their products to the United States are generally paid on the basis of prices set in US dollars. Consequently, the weakness of the Canadian dollar

## Conversion of indexes to 2002=100

In September 2010, the Industrial Product Price Index (IPPI) and the Raw Materials Price Index (RMPI) will be published on the time base of 2002=100, with 2002 weights.

The new indexes will appear in CANSIM with the publication of data for the reference month of August 2010. The new series will appear in new CANSIM tables with new vectors. The old indexes, based on 1997=100, will be terminated with the data for the reference month of July 2010.

All data in this release are seasonally unadjusted and are subject to revision for six months (for example, when the July index is released, the index for the preceding January becomes final).

The IPPI reflects the prices that producers in Canada receive as the goods leave the plant gate. It does not reflect what the consumer pays. Unlike the Consumer Price Index, the IPPI excludes indirect taxes and all the costs that occur between the time a good leaves the plant and the time the final user takes possession of it, including the transportation, wholesale, and retail costs.

The conversion of prices received in US dollars is based on the average monthly exchange rate (noon spot rate) established by the Bank of Canada, and it is available on CANSIM in table 176-0064 (series v37426). Monthly and annual variations in the exchange rate, as described in the text, are calculated according to the indirect quotation of the exchange rate (for example, CAN\$1=US\$X).

The RMPI reflects the prices paid by Canadian manufacturers for key raw materials. Many of those prices are set on the world market. However, most prices are denominated in Canadian dollars. For this reason, conversion into Canadian dollars has only a minor effect on the calculation of the RMPI. Moreover, the full effect of exchange rates on the RMPI is not measured, since that is a more difficult analytical task.
in relation to the American dollar had the effect of increasing the corresponding prices in Canadian dollars. If the exchange rate used to convert these prices had remained at the same level, the IPPI would have been unchanged instead of up $0.1 \%$.

Excluding petroleum and coal prices, the IPPI rose $0.3 \%$ in July compared with a $0.7 \%$ decline in June.

## 12-month change in the IPPI: Third consecutive increase

The IPPI was up $1.0 \%$ in July compared with the same month a year earlier. The index posted a third consecutive gain, smaller than the increase in May ( $+1.5 \%$ ) but larger than the one in June ( $+0.2 \%$ ).

The increase in the IPPI over the past 12 months was led mostly by higher prices for primary metal products ( $+9.4 \%$ ) and petroleum and coal products ( $+7.5 \%$ ). To a lesser extent, chemical products ( $+4.6 \%$ ) as well as pulp and paper products ( $+2.3 \%$ ) contributed to the advance of the IPPI in July.

The IPPI year-over-year advance was moderated by lower prices for motor vehicles and other transportation equipment ( $-3.9 \%$ ). This decline was primarily a result of a $7.6 \%$ appreciation of the Canadian dollar relative to the US dollar. If the direct effect of the exchange rate had been excluded, the IPPI would have risen $2.8 \%$ instead of $1.0 \%$.

Between July 2009 and July 2010, prices for products excluding petroleum and coal increased $0.3 \%$, registering its first gain since May 2009.

## Raw Materials Price Index: Upswing after two consecutive declines

The Raw Materials Price Index (RMPI) increased $1.8 \%$ following consecutive declines in May $(-7.3 \%)$ and June ( $-0.2 \%$ ).

In July, higher prices for mineral fuels (+1.8\%) and, to a lesser extent, non-ferrous metals ( $+3.6 \%$ ) and vegetable products ( $+4.1 \%$ ) were the main factors in the RMPI growth.

Prices for almost all major products were up, except for wood products and non-metallic minerals.

Crude oil prices rose $3.0 \%$ in July following a 2.4\% increase in June. These consecutive advances were insufficient to bring the index back up to its level prior to May, the month when crude oil prices ( $-14.2 \%$ ) fell significantly.

Excluding mineral fuels, the RMPI rebounded 1.7\% following two consecutive monthly declines.

Compared with the same month a year earlier, raw materials prices increased 6.0\% in July, after remaining unchanged in June. In July, raw material prices were up mainly as a result of higher prices for mineral fuels, which increased $7.9 \%$.

The prices of non-ferrous metals $(+7.9 \%)$, ferrous materials $(+20.4 \%)$ as well as animals and animal products ( $+3.1 \%$ ) contributed, to a lesser extent, to the year-over-year RMPI advance in July.


Available on CANSIM: tables 329-0038 to 329-0049 and 330-0006.

Tables 329-0040 to 329-0049: Industrial Product Price Index by commodity.

Table 329-0039: Industrial Product Price Index by total commodity aggregation and stage of processing.

Table 329-0038: Industrial Product Price Index by industry.

Table 330-0006: Raw Materials Price Index by commodity.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey numbers, including related surveys, 2306 and 2318.

The July 2010 issue of Industry Price Indexes (62-011-X, free) will soon be available.

The industrial product and raw material price indexes for August will be released on September 29.

For more information, or to enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Client Services (toll-free 1-888-951-4550; 613-951-4550; fax: 613-951-3117; ppd-info-dpp@statcan.gc.ca), Producer Prices Division.

Industrial product price indexes

|  | Relative importance ${ }^{1}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { July } \\ 2009 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 2010^{r} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 2010^{p} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { June } \\ \text { to } \\ \text { July } \\ 2010 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { July } \\ 2009 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { July } \\ 2010 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | (1997=100) |  |  |  |  |
| Industrial Product Price Index (IPPI) | 100.00 | 115.6 | 116.6 | 116.7 | 0.1 | 1.0 |
| IPPI excluding petroleum and coal products | 94.32 | 110.5 | 110.5 | 110.8 | 0.3 | 0.3 |
| Aggregation by commodities |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Meat, fish and dairy products | 5.78 | 112.8 | 113.3 | 113.1 | -0.2 | 0.3 |
| Fruit, vegetables, feeds and other food products | 5.99 | 117.9 | 116.3 | 116.7 | 0.3 | -1.0 |
| Beverages | 1.57 | 129.7 | 132.0 | 131.9 | -0.1 | 1.7 |
| Tobacco and tobacco products | 0.63 | 223.7 | 224.6 | 224.6 | 0.0 | 0.4 |
| Rubber, leather and plastic fabricated products | 3.30 | 120.3 | 123.3 | 123.0 | -0.2 | 2.2 |
| Textile products | 1.58 | 102.1 | 101.3 | 101.5 | 0.2 | -0.6 |
| Knitted products and clothing | 1.51 | 105.1 | 104.0 | 104.2 | 0.2 | -0.9 |
| Lumber and other wood products | 6.30 | 82.2 | 82.3 | 81.9 | -0.5 | -0.4 |
| Furniture and fixtures | 1.59 | 124.6 | 124.5 | 124.5 | 0.0 | -0.1 |
| Pulp and paper products | 7.23 | 106.5 | 108.3 | 109.0 | 0.6 | 2.3 |
| Printing and publishing | 1.70 | 124.5 | 124.0 | 124.1 | 0.1 | -0.3 |
| Primary metal products | 7.80 | 124.3 | 134.1 | 136.0 | 1.4 | 9.4 |
| Metal fabricated products | 4.11 | 131.6 | 131.8 | 131.9 | 0.1 | 0.2 |
| Machinery and equipment | 5.48 | 110.6 | 108.0 | 108.1 | 0.1 | -2.3 |
| Motor vehicles and other transport equipment | 22.16 | 93.7 | 89.7 | 90.0 | 0.3 | -3.9 |
| Electrical and communications products | 5.77 | 94.3 | 91.4 | 91.5 | 0.1 | -3.0 |
| Non-metallic mineral products | 1.98 | 129.1 | 129.2 | 129.2 | 0.0 | 0.1 |
| Petroleum and coal products ${ }^{2}$ | 5.68 | 209.9 | 227.6 | 225.6 | -0.9 | 7.5 |
| Chemicals and chemical products | 7.07 | 128.9 | 134.6 | 134.8 | 0.1 | 4.6 |
| Miscellaneous manufactured products | 2.40 | 122.6 | 126.5 | 126.5 | 0.0 | 3.2 |
| Miscellaneous non-manufactured products | 0.38 | 268.5 | 211.7 | 215.8 | 1.9 | -19.6 |
| Intermediate goods ${ }^{3}$ | 60.14 | 118.2 | 120.8 | 121.0 | 0.2 | 2.4 |
| First-stage intermediate goods ${ }^{4}$ | 7.71 | 124.1 | 134.3 | 136.1 | 1.3 | 9.7 |
| Second-stage intermediate goods ${ }^{5}$ | 52.43 | 117.3 | 118.8 | 118.7 | -0.1 | 1.2 |
| Finished goods ${ }^{6}$ | 39.86 | 111.7 | 110.2 | 110.4 | 0.2 | -1.2 |
| Finished foods and feeds | 8.50 | 120.6 | 121.6 | 121.6 | 0.0 | 0.8 |
| Capital equipment | 11.73 | 102.7 | 99.1 | 99.3 | 0.2 | -3.3 |
| All other finished goods | 19.63 | 113.2 | 112.0 | 112.1 | 0.1 | -1.0 |

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1. The relative importance is based on the 1997 values of production at December 1996 prices.
2. This index is estimated for the current month.
3. Intermediate goods are goods used principally to produce other goods.
4. First-stage intermediate goods are items used most frequently to produce other intermediate goods.
5. Second-stage intermediate goods are items most commonly used to produce final goods.
6. Finished goods are goods most commonly used for immediate consumption or for capital investment.

Raw materials price indexes

|  | Relative importance ${ }^{1}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { July } \\ 2009 \end{array}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { June } \\ & 2010^{r} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { July } \\ 2010^{p} \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { June } \\ \text { to } \\ \text { July } \\ 2010 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { July } \\ 2009 \\ \text { to } \\ \text { July } \\ 2010 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | (1997=100) |  |  | \% |  |
| Raw Materials Price Index (RMPI) | 100.00 | 153.4 | 159.8 | 162.6 | 1.8 | 6.0 |
| RMPI excluding mineral fuels | 64.84 | 116.3 | 119.2 | 121.2 | 1.7 | 4.2 |
| Mineral fuels | 35.16 | 233.6 | 247.5 | 252.0 | 1.8 | 7.9 |
| Vegetable products | 10.28 | 110.3 | 104.5 | 108.8 | 4.1 | -1.4 |
| Animals and animal products | 20.30 | 110.3 | 113.6 | 113.7 | 0.1 | 3.1 |
| Wood | 15.60 | 75.0 | 75.5 | 75.4 | -0.1 | 0.5 |
| Ferrous materials | 3.36 | 129.1 | 154.3 | 155.4 | 0.7 | 20.4 |
| Non-ferrous metals | 12.93 | 160.8 | 167.5 | 173.5 | 3.6 | 7.9 |
| Non-metallic minerals | 2.38 | 176.3 | 174.6 | 174.6 | 0.0 | -1.0 |

## revised

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1. The relative importance is based on the 1997 values of intermediate inputs at December 1996 prices.

## Public sector employment

Second quarter 2010 (preliminary)
Public sector employment on a seasonally adjusted basis declined $0.2 \%$ from the first quarter to 3.6 million in the second quarter. This decline offset a slight gain in the previous quarter.

The quarter-to-quarter decline was primarily concentrated in the provincial and territorial general government sector ( $-0.9 \%$ ). Employment also fell in school boards ( $-0.3 \%$ ) and in government business enterprises (-0.2\%).

Federal general government employment edged down $0.1 \%$, while employment remained unchanged in the health and social service institutions.

Employment rose by $0.7 \%$ in universities and colleges, and by $0.6 \%$ in local general government sectors. These increases continued an upward trend.

Public sector employees represented $20.3 \%$ of total employment in Canada in the second quarter, down from $20.5 \%$ in the first quarter. This decline was attributable to growth in private sector employment during this period. It was the second consecutive quarterly decrease, reversing an upward trend that started in 2007.

Between the second quarter of 2009 and second quarter of 2010, total public sector wages and salaries rose 0.3\%.

Public sector employment


Note: The public sector includes all economic entities controlled by government, and comprises four major components: the three levels of government (federal, provincial and territorial and local) and each has a general government component comprising ministries, departments, agencies and non-autonomous funds, autonomous funds and organizations, and non-autonomous pension plans; provincial and territorial government also includes universities and colleges, and health and social service institutions; local government also includes school boards; and, the fourth component government business enterprises, which are institutional units controlled by government but that operate on an autonomous basis as commercial corporations in the marketplace.

## Available on CANSIM: tables 183-0002 and 183-0004.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 1713.

For a more detailed description of how public sector employment is defined and reconciled with other information sources, refer to the document entitled Reconciliation of Public Sector Employment Estimates from Multiple Information Sources by clicking on survey number 1713.

## Available on CANSIM: tables 183-0021 and 183-0022.

Data tables on public sector employment are also available in the National economic accounts module of our website.

For more information, or to order data, contact Client Services (613-951-0767; pssd-info-dssp@statcan.gc.ca). To enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Alain Baril (613-951-4131; alain.baril@statcan.gc.ca), Public Sector Statistics Division.

## Public sector employment

|  | First quarter 2010 | Second quarter 2010 | First quarter to second quarter 2010 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |
|  | thous |  | \% change |
| Public sector | 3,601 | 3,595 | -0.2 |
| General government | 1,385 | 1,385 | 0.0 |
| Federal | 421 | 421 | -0.1 |
| Provincial and territorial | 359 | 356 | -0.9 |
| Local | 604 | 608 | 0.6 |
| Educational institutions | 1,061 | 1,061 | 0.1 |
| Universities and colleges ${ }^{1}$ | 383 | 386 | 0.7 |
| School boards | 677 | 675 | -0.3 |
| Health and social service institutions | 839 | 839 | 0.0 |
| Government business enterprises | 314 | 313 | -0.2 |

1. Includes vocational and trade institutions.

Note: Numbers may not add up due to rounding.

## Food services and drinking places <br> June 2010 (preliminary)

Sales for the food services and drinking places industry increased $0.3 \%$ from May to $\$ 4.1$ billion in current dollars in June. During the same period, the price of food purchased in restaurants increased 0.2\%, as measured by the Consumer Price Index.

In June, three of the industry's four sectors posted higher sales. The largest increase occurred in the special food services sector ( $+2.3 \%$ ), which includes food service contractors, caterers and mobile food services.

Similarly, sales increased by $0.7 \%$ at limited-service restaurants and by $1.5 \%$ in drinking places.

Full-service restaurants ( $-0.7 \%$ ) was the only sector to post a decline.

Provincially, six provinces recorded higher sales, with the largest increase in Saskatchewan ( $+1.4 \%$ ).

Seasonally adjusted data are revised for the three previous months. Data are also revised annually. Revisions to improve data quality and coherence are based on information not available at the time of the initial data. Caution should be exercised when comparing recent data that have not yet undergone an annual revision with older data (prior to April 2009) that have been revised.

## Available on CANSIM: table 355-0006.

Definitions, data sources and methods: survey number 2419.

For more information, or to obtain data, contact Client Services (toll-free 1-877-801-3282; 613-951-4612; servicesind@statcan.gc.ca). To enquire about the concepts, methods or data quality of this release, contact Pierre Felx (613-951-0075), Service Industries Division.

Note: All data in this release are seasonally adjusted and expressed in current dollars.

## Food services and drinking places

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { June } \\ & 2009 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \hline \text { March } \\ & 2010^{r} \end{aligned}$ | April $2010^{\text {r }}$ | May $2010^{r}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { June } \\ & 2010^{\text {p }} \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{array}{r} \text { May } \\ \text { to } \\ \text { June } \\ 2010 \\ \hline \end{array}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Seasonally adjusted |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  | usands |  |  | \% change |
| Total, food services sales | 3,979,526 | 4,106,626 | 4,082,233 | 4,093,343 | 4,104,564 | 0.3 |
| Full-service restaurants | 1,742,140 | 1,782,606 | 1,766,090 | 1,780,381 | 1,768,169 | -0.7 |
| Limited-service eating places | 1,709,490 | 1,777,269 | 1,780,347 | 1,772,271 | 1,784,848 | 0.7 |
| Special food services | 311,558 | 335,034 | 325,636 | 331,155 | 338,894 | 2.3 |
| Drinking places | 216,338 | 211,717 | 210,160 | 209,536 | 212,653 | 1.5 |
| Provinces and territories |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Newfoundland and Labrador | 48,700 | 51,657 | 52,019 | 51,130 | 51,813 | 1.3 |
| Prince Edward Island | 14,126 | 14,685 | 14,851 | 14,333 | 14,330 | -0.0 |
| Nova Scotia | 104,138 | 106,816 | 107,305 | 105,110 | 106,394 | 1.2 |
| New Brunswick | 79,064 | 82,300 | 81,325 | 82,378 | 82,183 | -0.2 |
| Quebec | 793,316 | 826,729 | 819,476 | 810,351 | 797,065 | -1.6 |
| Ontario | 1,488,021 | 1,541,630 | 1,546,839 | 1,551,797 | 1,569,529 | 1.1 |
| Manitoba | 120,846 | 121,950 | 121,298 | 121,358 | 121,780 | 0.3 |
| Saskatchewan | 115,469 | 118,111 | 116,115 | 118,707 | 120,317 | 1.4 |
| Alberta | 552,591 | 565,899 | 557,324 | 569,294 | 573,472 | 0.7 |
| British Columbia | 650,979 | 663,908 | 652,001 | 655,722 | 653,827 | -0.3 |
| Yukon | 3,987 | 4,359 | 4,343 | 4,255 | F | F |
| Northwest Territories | 6,882 | 7,211 | 7,778 | 7,446 | F | F |
| Nunavut | 1,407 | 1,371 | 1,559 | 1,462 | F | F |

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## Commercial Software Price Index

July 2010
The Commercial Software Price Index (CSPI) decreased by $1.2 \%$ in July from the previous month.

Year over year, the CSPI decreased by $4.5 \%$.
Note: The Commercial Software Price Index is a monthly series measuring the change in the purchase price of pre-packaged software typically bought by businesses and governments. This release presents data that are not seasonally adjusted and the indexes published are subject to a six month revision period after dissemination of a given month's data.

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July 2010
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